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EXTENSION OF THE SECOND COUNTRY PROGRAMME FOR THE CAYMAN ISLANDS

Note by the Administrator

1. The second country programme for the Cayman Islands was approved by the Governing Council at its thirty-third session (1986) for the period 1987 to 1991. The focus of the programme was on human resources development to support national efforts towards the achievement of the goals of higher efficiency in the public service and diversification of the economy. The programme successfully addressed the requirements for upgrading the skills of personnel in important public service departments, among them, water, civil aviation, broadcasting, civil engineering, education, and physical planning. This has been further complemented by programme interventions which strengthened institutional capabilities in development planning, education management, and public service administration.

2. The Government is now engaged in building consensus on a national development plan and has approached this by carrying out policy reviews of all major sectors of the economy, with the intent to rationalize resource allocations and implement major institutional reforms where necessary. Discussions between the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the Government are taking place on the institutional-building requirements that are now emerging. The Government has reaffirmed the continued validity of the second country programme and requested that it be extended to allow more time for the formulation of the third programme.

3. It is expected that the third country programme will be submitted to the Governing Council at its fortieth session (1993).

4. The Administrator wishes to inform the Governing Council that he has approved the extension of the second country programme for the Cayman Islands for a period of one year, beginning 1 January 1992.